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SUBJECT: UNIDO II - GENERAL DEBATE

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1. GENERAL DEBATE ENDED LATE MORNING MARCH 20 WITH FINLAND THE
107TH SPEAKER. REPETITION WAS ORDER OF THE DAY, AS THIRD WORLD
COUNTRIES CONTINUED HARANGUES ON MULTINATIONALS, NEED FOR
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, ETC. WITH LITTLE CHANGE FROM GENERAL LINES
OF SPEECHES DELIVERED FIRST FEW DAYS OF GENERAL DEBATE. (REFTEL A).
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IN PARTICULAR, LDCS CONTINUED TO PRESS DEMANDS FOR

SPECIALIZED AGENCY STATUS FOR UNIDO AND FORMATION OF
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FUND.

2. PRESIDENT OF CONFERENCE, PERUVIAN MINISTER OF INDUSTRY
AND TOURISM, AMBASSADOR JUMENEZ DE LUCIO, SUMMED UP
GENERAL DEBATE BY CLAIMING CONSENSUS OF FOUR ITEMS: NEED FOR
(1) NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER, (2) HIGHER LDC PERCENTAGE
OF WORLD INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, (3) CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE, AND
(4) TRANSFORMATION OF UNIDO IN ORDER TO IMPROVE ITS FUNCTIONS.
ENTIRE GENERAL DEBATE WAS NOT PARTICULARLY ENLIGHTENING IN
SUBSTANCE OR NOTEWORTHY IN THRUST. US STATEMENT, DELIVERED
MARCH 18, WAS WELL RECEIVED. (SEE BULL BUCKLEY).

3. HIGHLIGHTS OF NOTEWORTHY INTERVENTIONS WERE: (A) ECUADOR
(RICHELIEU LEVOYER): SUGGESTED ESTABLISHMENT OF COUNCIL OF RAW
MATERIAL EXPORTING ASSOCIATIONS TO DEVELOP RESERVE STOCKS;
CLAIMED THAT US TRADE BILL, BY EXCLUDING MEMBERS OF PRODUCERS'
ASSOCIATIONS FROM BENEFITS OF GSP, EXEMPLIFIES ACTION OF "SUPER
POWER". (B) NIGERIA (A.S.N. EGBO): WHILE NEW INTERNATIONAL
ECONOMIC ORDER PRESENTS PROBLEMS FOR INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES,
THOSE PROBLEMS ARE NOT INSURMOUNTABLE; THAT LDCS NEED DC
COOPERATION; MENTIONED WITHOUT NAMING US OR USSR THAT BECAUSE
DCS CAN EXTEND CREDIT ACROSS IDEOLOGICAL BARRIERS THEY SHOULD BE
ABLE TO INCREASE AID TO LDCS. (C) CANADA (P. Trottier): LDCS
HAVE PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY FOR THEIR OWN DEVELOPMENT; UNCTAD
AND WIPO ARE EXAMINING TECHNOLOGICAL TRANSFER; OPERATIONAL
ACTIVITIES SHOULD BE UNIDO'S CENTRAL TASK; PRESENT UNIDO MANDATE
IS SUFFICIENT FOR EXPANSION OF ITS ACTIVITIES; CONSENSUS IS NECESSARY
FOR A DECLARATION AND PLAN OF ACTION. (D) NICARAGUA (NOEL PALLAIS
DEBAYLE): IFI'S MUST CHANGE THEIR WAY OF OPERATION IN ORDER TO BE
RESPONSIVE TO LDCS; LDCS SHOULD USE EXTERNAL DEBT AS DEVELOPMENT
TOOL. (E) ALBANIA (M. HASAN BANJA): PROTESTED AGAINST EXCLUSION
OF PRG AND THE PRESENCE OF THE REPRESENTATIVE OF "PHNOM PENH
CLIQUE" (NO ONE FROM KHMER REPUBLIC ACTUALLY HERE).
SOUTH VIETNAMESE DELEGATE EXERCISED RIGHT OF REPLY TO REJECT ALBANIAN
'S COMMENT ON
PRG. (F) SWEDEN (SOHLMAN): FAVORS REDISTRIBUTION OF WEALTH FOR
BENEFIT OF POOREST COUNTRIES; RECOGNITION OF EACH COUNTRY'S RIGHT
TO SOVEREIGNTY OVER NATURAL RESOURCES; RECOGNITION OF PRODUCERS'
ASSOCIATIONS TEMPERED BY CONSIDERATION OF INTEREST OF OTHERS; DOUBTS
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ADVISABILITY OF SETTING TARGETS FOR LDC PERCENTAGE OF WORLD
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION BY YEAR 2000; WILLINGNESS TO GO ALONG WITH
CONSENSUS ON SPECIALIZED AGENCY STATUS FOR UNIDO.
(G) ISRAEL (MOSHE AVIDAN): BLAND SPEECH MADE IN ABSENCE OF
ARABS AND PRC DELEGATES WHO EXITED WHEN ISRAELI TOOK ROSTRUM.
(H) USSR (I.I. CHERNYSHOV): USUAL BOILER-PLATE STRESSING STATE
SECTOR; PREFERENCE FOR DEVELOPMENT WITHOUT PRIVATE FOREIGN
INVESTMENT WHICH IN ANY CASE WOULD HAVE TO BE UNDER STRICT

CONTROL OF HOST GOVERNMENT; IMPORTANCE OF NATURAL RESOURCES TO UNIDO'S WORK; SUPPORT FOR BASIC PRINCIPLES OF G-77 DECLARATION AND PLAN OF ACTION. (I) NEW ZEALAND (J.G.MCARTHUR): NEW REALITIES OF MID-1970'S DEMAND RETHINKING OF INTERNATIONAL PRIORITIES; EXTENSION OF NATIONAL POLICIES OF WEALTH REDISTRIBUTION TO INTERNATIONAL SPHERES; SUPPORT FOR OVERALL ADOPTION OF CERDS; ACCEPTANCE OF PRINCIPLE OF TRANSFERS OF INDUSTRY TO LDCS (ASSERTED NEW ZEALAND IS STUDYING SOME ACTUAL TRANSFERS TO PACIFIC ISLANDS); CLOSE SURVEILLANCE OF FOREIGN INVESTMENT, NECESSITY TO REALIZE GLOBAL PATTERNS WILL CHANGE SLOWLY AND THAT DIALOGUE IS NECESSARY; APPEAL THAT SOVEREIGNTY BE TEMPERED WITH REALIZATION THAT COOPERATION BRINGS BENEFITS. SPEECH WAS LOFTY IN CONTENT AND DELIVERY AND CAME CLOSE TO NETHERLANDS IN SUPPORTING LDC VIEWS. (J) TUNISIA (... MONCEF BELHAJ AMOR): INTERNATIONAL NORMS ARE NOT SUITABLE FOR LDCS; FOREIGN INVESTMENT SHOULD BE ACCORDED SAME RIGHTS AND DUTIES AS NATIONALS; STRATEGY SHOULD BE TO IMPORT FACTORIES RATHER THAN TO EXPORT LABOR. WHILE SUPPORTING GENERAL AIMS OF THIRD WORLD, SPEECH WAS WELL BALANCED. (K) MEXICO (JUAN GUILLERMO BECKER ARROELA): SHRILL ON MOST LDC DEMANDS WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON REVISING INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION PROCEDURES. (L) CHILE (ROBERTO KELLY VASQUEZ): CUBA WAS NOT IN CHAIR AND SOVIETS LEFT HALFWAY THROUGH, ALTHOUGH IT COULD HAVE BEEN BECAUSE OF LATE HOUR. REMAINDER OF SOCIALISTS HAD SECOND RANKERS IN CHAIR. (M) AUSTRALIA (R.W. FURLONGER): SUPPORTS GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 3201 AND CERDS AND ASPIRATIONS OF LDCS. SPEECH WAS GEARED TO REPLY TO THIRD WORLD THEMES WITH CAUTION THAT GETTING TOO FAR AHEAD OF PUBLIC OPINION WOULD BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE. (N) UNDP (DELL): SPEECH STAYED IN AREA OF GENERALITIES AND PROPOSED NO INITIATIVES. (O) PORTUGAL (JOSE GAMITO): STRESSED PRESENT REGIME'S BREAK WITH "ABSURD COLONIAL POLICY" OF PAST GOVERNMENT. (P) PARAGUAY (D. UGARTE CENTURION): SUPPORTED LDC THEMES WITH BALANCING STATEMENT THAT LDCS SHOULD NOT ASK OF DCS WHAT THEY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ARE NOT THEMSELVES PREPARED TO DO. (Q) LESOTHO (J.M. MOITSE): VIRTUALLY ENTIRE ADDRESS WAS BLAST AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA WHICH HE TERMED "HORRID COUNTRY" AND "MORTAL SIN". SPEECH WAS FIERY SERMON WHICH HAD EARS RINGING.

4. AMBASSADOR BENNETT'S STATEMENT, AFTERNOON MARCH 18, ATTRACTED FAVORABLE COMMENT FROM VARIOUS SOURCES, INCLUDING UNIDO'S EXEC DIRECTOR, AND NUMEROUS IMMEDIATE REQUESTS FOR TEXT. IT SEEMED TO BE GENERALLY CREDITED WITH BEING OPEN AND FORTHCOMING PRESENTATION OF US VIEWS. LOCAL PRESS GAVE ADEQUATE AND REASONABLY ACCURATE COVERAGE.RDEAN

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